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News Briefs

Meet the new principal
Pahokee Middle Senior High School will introduce Mrs. May Gamble, the new principal, at an open house on Wednesday, Feb. 1. Report cards for the first semester will be distributed in the school cafeteria between 6 and 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. Gamble will speak to parents at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium. Following Mrs. Gamble's talk, parents will have the opportunity to meet with their child's teacher.

Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. At this time, Mrs. Gamble will be available to personally meet parents. All parents and guardians of Pahokee Middle Senior High School students are encouraged to attend.

Anyone needing more information should call Mrs. Lynch, guidance coordinator, at 924-6406.

Sugarland Express
coming to Belle Glade
The Glades Community Development Corporation, HRS Palm Beach County Public Health Unit, Palm Beach County Health Care District and the Glades PATCH invite the community to attend the unveiling of the new Med-Mobile for the Glades area.

Named the "Sugarland Express-Doctor Bus" by Rosenwald and Belle Glade Elementary school children, the Med-Mobile will offer the latest in health care for the Glades.

The unveiling will be at Glades Central Community High School, Feb. 1, at 4 p.m. This is the community's opportunity to see the new medical mobile unit and all of its unique features," said Tony McCray, executive director of the Glades Community Development Corporation. "We hope everyone will be able to attend this important community event and see how the Med-Mobile can make the Glades a healthier place," he added.

For more information, contact Mr. McCray or Autrie Moore-Williams at the Glades Community Development Corporation, 992-9500.

Ball planned
The Glades Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will be having their annual Red and White Ball on Saturday, Feb. 4. The event will be from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., at the National Guard Armory on South Main Street, Belle Glade. Dress is semi-formal and tickets are \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door.

Book Fair at PHS
Pahokee High School's Media Center will sponsor a Scholastic Book Fair at the school from Jan. 27 until Feb. 3.

Students will visit the Book Fair with the Pahokee High School English teachers Jan. 30 through Feb. 2. Parents are invited to stop by. For more information, please call the school's media center at 924-6411.



People from Belle Glade, surrounding areas and from far away attended the Mucksteppers Reunion Saturday at Pioneer Park. The day featured storytellers, authentic food dishes, clothing booths and entertainment for the entire family. The Mucksteppers Reunion is sponsored by the Zora Neale Hurston Roof Garden Museum. For more on the reunion, see page 11.

SUNPHOTO by Tammy Jackson

ERMC agrees to hire management firm

Tammy Jackson
Staff Reporter

Following four months of operating without a district subsidy, Everglades Regional Medical Center in Pahokee has agreed to work with the county's health care district and hire an independent management firm. This move is expected to bring in a \$3.5 million subsidy from the district.

Laws governed by the State of Florida stipulate that the district had to give the 63-bed Pahokee hospital \$3.5 million annually for the past five years, however, the hospital, along with the subdistrict, said that amount was set only as a minimum. They filed a lawsuit in August in which they sought continued support financially from the health care district.

In an October hearing, a circuit judge declined to order the care district make the payment to the hospital. However, the district's board did offer to provide subsidies for Glades General Hospital and ERM, but the offer did have some stipulations attached.

One of the stipulations included allowing a district representative to attend hospital meetings, hiring a management firm to review hospital operations, and helping to develop a strategic plan for the Glades. That plan would integrate the acute and outpatient services, capitalize on economies of scale, and provide for a new hospital or either make renovations to the existing facilities.

Glades General Hospital agreed and met those conditions in 1994. They have been receiving payments from the district.

On Jan. 11 Everglades Regional's board adopted a resolution which generally agreed to the stipulations but district officials objected to the wording.

The hospital then adopted another resolution last week. The district was satisfied by that resolution.

According to the district's chief executive officer, Cecil Bennett, "This was a big step."

At a Feb. 3 meeting, the district board will consider the resolution and Everglades' contract with the management firm of Brim Healthcare Inc.

The northwest subdistrict has decided that all of the \$3.5 million should go to the hospital.

Ted Gallo, a member of the ERM board and the northwest subdistrict that determines how to allocate the subsidy, said, "Without that support (of the district), we lose money."

Mr. Gallo went on to say the hospital can live with the agreement because the district added renovation of existing facilities as an option to building a new hospital.

Pahokee to hold "Charrette" this weekend

By Brenda Bunting
Editor

Enhancing Pahokee is on the minds of local residents and county planners who hope an intense weekend of brainstorming with members of the community will help them formulate a master plan for the city.

Citizens, local and county officials are asked to participate in a citizen design workshop on Saturday, Jan. 28, at Pahokee Junior/Senior High School. The event is called a "Charrette" and will begin with a county and regional planners meeting at the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce on Friday, Jan. 27. This group will take a tour of the city and hold afternoon meetings with individual civic leaders in the community.

The meeting will continue Saturday morning with all interested community members invited to a 9 a.m. slide presentation at the high school by Palm Beach County Senior Planner Vicki Silver. Participants will address the questions "How is Pahokee today?", "How could Pahokee be in the future with the help of a master plan?", "What are the fundamental planning problems?", "What are some possible solutions?", and "How can the public help find solutions?"

After a short break for lunch, participants will



Lending a Hand to Hospice...Melissa and Larry Simmons, (left) owners of Larry's AC and Appliances, donated an automatic dishwasher to Hospice for their event Feb. 4 at the Belle Glade Elks Lodge. Shown on Mr. Simmons' left are Hospice committee members Mary Orsaggio and Dolly Hand. For ticket information, call Committee Chairman Jo Hutton in Pahokee at 924-5555, or Hospice at 992-1285.

South Bay woman arrested following shooting at bar

Woman shot numerous times with small caliber handgun

Tammy Jackson
Staff Reporter

A dispute between two women last Wednesday left one of the women in critical condition.

Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office reports state Mary Jo Mosely, 39, of 290 N.W. 12th St., South Bay, shot Sylvia McFarlane, 38, of 110 N.W. Eighth Ave., South Bay, numerous times with a small caliber handgun.

According to police, McFarlane entered the Domino Club, 1035 Palm Beach Road, South Bay, in search of her estranged husband, and she and Mosely became involved in a confrontation. Reports state McFarlane's husband, Leaford McFarlane and Mosely "were romantically involved". Mosely pulled a small caliber handgun and shot McFarlane numerous times before fleeing the scene. She surrendered to sheriff's office personnel a short time later. She gave a statement and admitted to detectives that she had shot McFarlane.

Mosely was booked into the Palm Beach County Jail with no bond where she was held under charges of aggravated battery with a deadly weapon. At newspaper presstime, Mosely had been transferred to the Palm Beach County Stockade.

McFarlane was transported to St. Mary's Hospital via Trauma Hawk where she was listed in critical condition.

Good news for South Bay - two new firms to locate here

Two firms, which will support more than 500 jobs in the Glades area, are preparing to open at the former South Bay Growers facilities.

J. Nelson Fairbanks, president and CEO of U.S. Sugar, announced that the South Bay Growers packinghouse will reopen with a sweet corn and vegetable distribution business, and that the former South Bay central warehouse building has been sold and will become a sugar cane mechanical harvester assembly plant.

Both operations will be located in buildings formerly utilized by former South Bay Growers, U.S. Sugar's vegetable growing and processing subsidiary which was closed last summer after years of severe financial losses.

The packinghouse has been leased to Hugh H. Branch, Inc. of Belle Glade, one of the nation's largest distributors of fresh sweet corn. Mr. Branch said the new facility, which will open this month, will create several hundred jobs in the area. In addition to sweet corn, he intends to ship radishes, endive, escarole, Chinese cabbage, and parsley through the facility.

To facilitate the packinghouse reopening by providing volume, U.S. Sugar has agreed to lease 3,600 acres of sugar cane rotation land for sweet corn production to several local growers. The company also will grow and deliver its own sweet corn to the South Bay facility.

Mr. Branch said the new facility will put people back to work in the packinghouse, the fields,

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Long-time Sugar Cane Growers employee dies

A mechanic for Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative died when he ran a stop sign at the corner of Curlee and Sugarhouse roads in Belle Glade, and hit a car before going into a canal. The accident happened last Saturday about 4 p.m.

Funeral services were Wednesday for Ricky Landell Mosley, 36, of Pahokee. Michelle Ann Bain, 27, the driver of the car, was treated for minor injuries at Glades General Hospital and released. Two children in the car with Ms. Bain were not hurt.

Mr. Mosley had worked for Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative for 19 years, according to Barbara Miedema, media relations spokesperson.

"He was a good, loyal employee. We are very, very saddened by his death," she said.

Mr. Mosley was the owner of Ricky Mosley's Auto Sales of Pahokee.

He is survived by his wife, Rhonda Johnson Mosley, and two children: Ricky Landell Mosley Jr. and Joe Douglas Mosley; his mother and father, Lorine and Landell Mosley, and brothers Danny and Steve, Mosley.

Mayor proclaims January as Multi-Cultural Month

During the Belle Glade City Commission meeting this past Monday night, Mayor J. Stephen Weeks commended Lake Shore Middle School for its efforts to promote tolerance, international peace, and a better understanding of cultural heritage and differences.

He also announced he would issue a proclamation recognizing January as Multi-Cultural Month.

Mayor Weeks said he encourages residents to support the school in its multi-cultural endeavors, and encourages the continuation of efforts to develop awareness and acceptance of all cultures.

The school is planning a parade Friday morning, Jan. 27, with field day activities in the afternoon in celebration of Multi-Cultural Month.

In other business, the city commission authorized the following:

- A State Tourism Grant in the amount of \$2,260.

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Florida's devastating cold spells; researchers may have found a cycle



By Mike Lyons

I'll never forget Jan. 17, 1982. If you lived in the Upper Midwest or in the Great Lakes area at the time you probably won't forget that day either. It was called Cold Sunday. The day the North Pole moved south.

I was working for a television station in Green Bay, Wis. Now Green Bay has some pretty tough winters featuring cold temperatures and big snows. The folks who live in northern Wisconsin are a hearty bunch. They enjoy winter weather, Cold Sunday, however, was something different.

On Jan. 17, 1982 the temperature in Green Bay fell to 26 degrees below zero. (I still get a chill thinking about that day). But, as we like to say in the weather business, that was only half the story.

The winds on that cold January day were quite strong from the Northwest. The frigid temperatures and the brisk

wind combined for a wind chill factor of 75 degrees below. Obviously, it was not the day to go for a walk in the park. Green Bay just about shut down as folks spent the day blowing kisses to their furnace hoping it would not break down.

It was worse in Chicago. The temperature in the Windy City was 26 below. Milwaukee was 27 below. Just about every spot in the Midwest was frozen. Meanwhile, back here in Florida, Jan. 17, 1982 was a typically sunny, mild day. As we all know, if you want to escape winter go south young men and women to the Sunshine State.

Yet, it does get cold around here. Our recent morning chill

is a reminder of that fact. Thankfully, though, it doesn't happen very often. But, when it does, a cold spell in Florida can be devastating.

Remember, Christmas of 1987? An Arctic air mass covered the entire state dropping the temperatures to levels never experienced before. The mercury fell below freezing as far south as Miami. Even Key West was cold with a Christmas Eve temperature of 44 degrees.

Citrus growers were particularly hard hit. Some lost around 40 percent of their crop. President Bush declared many counties in the state disaster areas.

Since the "Christmas Chill" we've been pretty lucky with cold weather. For the past five years the temperature in our part of Florida has not dropped below freezing. The coldest weather during that period was February of 1991 when the mercury reached the mid 30's.

When will we experience our next hard freeze? It may be a long way off. Researchers looking at Florida weather think they may have found a cycle in the occurrences of severe freezes. Most of our really frigid cold spells seem to happen every 20 years or so.

For example, the winter of 1894-95 was a particularly tough one. It was called the

"Big Freeze" when it struck the state in late December of 1894. Most of the pineapple crop was destroyed.

Yet, for the next 22 years the state enjoyed mild winters with very little cold weather. Then, in 1917, old man winter returned. The next severe freeze came in 1940. Then, in 1960 followed 23 years later by the severe freeze of winter 1983-84. So far, the only exception to the big freeze theory is the cold snap five years ago. If that theory is correct our next severe freeze is still 15 years off. That should give us plenty of time to get ready.

Mike Lyons is the weatherman for WPBF, Channel 25.

Most people who have been done a favor consider it an opportunity to show their incorruptibility rather than their gratitude. This is not only considerably cheaper morally, but it sometimes increases their pride so much that pretty soon they look down on their benefactor.

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By Maria Wise Miller

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Ellington and much more are some of the highlights of The Big Band Sound with the famous Vic Knight Orchestra. If you love great music, you will not want to miss this outstanding show at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center on Friday, Jan. 27, at 8 p.m.

For many, this show will be a chance to relive some great memories, for others, it's time to make some wonderful new ones as the band takes you "On a Sentimental Journey" through some of the best

period of one-half to one hour. I finally had the nerve to mention my plight to an optometrist friend of mine.

He asked me a few questions and discovered that I had been taking some over-the-counter medication containing anti-histamines. That led to the diagnosis of "dry eye."

Dry eye symptoms can result from the normal aging process, exposure to environmental conditions, problems with normal blinking or from medications such as anti-histamines, oral contraceptives, or anti-depressants.

American music.

The nationally acclaimed WDBF All-Star Big Band will keep your toes tappin' during the show. After the show, you'll be humming your own favorites from the performance.

Tickets are on sale at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center's box office on Monday and Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., or by calling the theatre at 992-6160.

And remember, students are always encouraged to attend

with a special reduced ticket price of only \$5.

Take advantage of a great entertainment value and support your local performing arts theatre. We guarantee an evening you won't forget.

At Palm Beach Community College, the winter term is getting started and Glades Campus Provost Dr. Helen Frank is happy to announce that once again, enrollment is up by more than 10 percent. We wish all the students success in their studies.

Healthline Paula Swaford, R.N.

sants, diuretics, Beta blockers, and medication for heart disease and ulcers.

The most common signs/symptoms include stinging, itchy, scratchy and uncomfortable eyes; and sometimes having a burning feeling or a feeling of something foreign within the eye. You may experience increased dry eye symptoms on awakening.

The tears your eyes normally produce are necessary for overall eye health and clear vision. Dry eye occurs when your eyes do not produce enough tears or

produce tears which do not have the proper chemical composition.

Dry eye can't be cured, but your eyes' sensitivity can be lessened and measures taken to make sure your eyes remain healthy. The most frequent treatment is the use of artificial tears or tear substitutes. For more severe cases, ointment can be used, especially at bedtime.

If it remains untreated, it can harm your eyes. It can damage the tissue and possible scar the cornea of your eye, causing your vision to be impaired.

To keep the symptoms in check you and your optometrist need to work together. Wearers of contact lenses know that dry eye is the leading cause of discomfort for them.

Among those who suffer from dry eye syndrome, nearly half also have related symptoms involving the nose, throat, and sinuses such as: allergy and hay fever, middle ear congestion, chronic coughing, headaches, and nasal or sinus congestion, post nasal drip, and sneezing.

So till next time, take care of those "peepers," stay informed and stay healthy.

Paula Swaford, R.N. Administrator, ABC Home Health Services, Inc.

A message from the Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County

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Common household hazardous waste includes:

- ❖ Lead-based paint
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- ❖ Refrigerators and automotive batteries
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Miracle Temple fund raiser

Miracle Temple Ministries will hold a fund raising yard sale on Saturday, Jan. 28, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 104 N.W. 16th Street, Belle Glade. Items for sale include clothing, used furniture, and miscellaneous household goods. Proceeds from the event will be used for church projects.

Closing dates for crop insurance

The deadline for farmers in Palm Beach County to obtain catastrophic crop insurance coverage for 1995 is Feb. 15. Coverage is available on nursery containerized, sugarcane, rice, citrus, peppers, fresh sweet corn and fresh tomatoes.

Marie L. Sardinha, acting county executive director of the Palm Beach County Consolidated Farm Service Agency, said CAT coverage will be required on all insurable crops in order to be eligible for other USDA benefits. Producers wishing to insure their 1995 crops should contact the CFAA office.

For more information, call 996-7900.



A lifetime membership to VFW Post 4185 in Clewiston was bestowed upon WW I Veteran Rowe B. Myers (left) by Post member Billy Reeves. Also given the same honor was Pahokee WW I Veteran George Mead, who was unable to attend the ceremony held at the American Legion, Post 20, Belle Glade last Sunday afternoon. Mr. Myers and Mr. Mead both turn 99 this year.

Belle Glade Police Department's arrest blotter for Jan. 16 - 22

The Belle Glade Police Department investigated 708 complaints the week of Jan. 16 through Jan. 22 and handled 16 crime scenes.

Arrests Jan. 16-22 included:
Jan. 16 - Donald Edward Williams, 42, failure to appear on charges of no or improper driver's license; Raffiel Bryant, 26, violation of probation for criminal mischief; Jessie Summerrall, 23, domestic battery.
Jan. 17 - Owen Hinds, 23, possession of marijuana with intent to sell, contempt of court on an order of commitment; 14-year-old juvenile grand theft auto, fleeing and eluding police, wilful, wanton and reck-

less driving.
Jan. 18 - Marcial Jaimes, 28, violation of probation; Glen Carrington, 31, contempt of court - order of commitment; Anna Harper, 24, possession of marijuana under 20 grams.
Jan. 19 - No arrests.
Jan. 20 - Joseph Craig Hunter, 26, possession of cocaine; Joe Jackson, 27, opposing and obstructing justice; Raymond Lee Anderson, 45, uttering a forged instrument, petit theft.
Jan. 21 - Charlene White, 23, failure to appear on charges of driving while license suspended or revoked; Timothy Wright, 41, trespassing after warning; Sabrina Cornish, 27, grand

theft; Randy Crawford, 28, petit theft; Sonia Seay, 25, resisting arrest with violence, strong arm robbery.
January 22 - Joseph Brown, 19, violation of probation; Elmer Castro, 23, failure to appear.

Editors note: The police news in this newspaper lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.

Additional sites for summer lunch program sought

The Palm Beach County Division of Human Services is hoping to enhance the Summer Lunch Program in the Glades.

According to Marylou Powers, Palm Beach County HRS Auxiliary Manager, they are looking for summer lunch sites available in local neighborhoods. The lunches would be free to neighborhood children.

"It doesn't have to be a big organization," she said. "We are looking for churches, etc. that can serve lunch to the many children in the Glades who are not being served," she

added.
The City of Belle Glade, through their recreation department, offers a similar program at Lake Shore Middle School, Covenant Village and through the Alpha Program. There is also one site in South Bay and the program is also offered through the City of Pahokee's Recreation Department.

Mrs. Powers said this would be in addition to the programs already offered and could be expanded to local playgrounds, parks, community centers,

housing projects, summer camps, Bible schools, as well as churches.

The deadline to locate additional sites in the Glades is Feb. 17. Eligible groups need to have refrigerators large enough to accommodate the number of meals ordered, handicap accessibility, containers to properly dispose of the

Two Glades WWI Veterans honored

By Brenda Bunting

Today is Rowe B. Myers' 99th birthday. The Belle Glade Veteran of World War I gets around with a cane and wears hearing aids, but still manages to go out to the West County Senior Citizens Center several times a week for activities and lunch.

His wife, Muriel, 89, is always by his side to support and care for him. "It's her loving, tender care that helped me get to the age I am," says Mr. Myers.

The Myers also stay busy with their church, the Everglades Presbyterian Church in Belle Glade, where Mrs. Myers still plays piano.

Asked if he attributes anything else to his longevity, Mr. Myers smiles and says "breath in, breath out."

His only daughter, Rosemary Buchanan, a school teacher at Glades Central, says her father always has cute sayings, including how the first 99 years are the toughest. "The rest is easy," he says.

He was given the county's highest honor, the Purple Heart, by Col. George C. Richards, 112th Infantry, 28th

Division for exceptional and meritorious conspicuous service. He was overseas in England and in France during the war and participated in several engagements, including the Champagne-Marine Offensive, the Aisne-Marine Offensive, the Fismes Sector, the Oise-Aisne, the Meuse-Argonne and the Thiaucourt Sector.

He was gassed Aug. 10, 1918, and now suffers from emphysema because of the poison.

"Other than that, I'm in pretty good health," he says.

Mr. Myers has been honored several times as Belle Glade's sole remaining World War I Veteran. He rides in cars during local parades and sits on the stage with the dignitaries.

Originally from Kirklint, Ind., Mr. and Mrs. Myers are both retired school teachers who moved to Belle Glade to be near family in 1989. Mr. Myers said before that they stayed in the Glades during the winter months before moving here permanently.

He taught math, shop and history for 28 years. "History is his first love," says his daughter Rosemary.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Myers are graduates of Indiana University.

Mr. Myers was a Boy Scout Leader for years and is the recipient of the Silver Beaver Award.

The Myers have one granddaughter, Bet, the only daughter of Kenneth and Rosemary Buchanan. She is a freshman in college.

Sunday, Jan. 22, he was honored with a birthday dinner at the American Legion, Post 20 Belle Glade. Another World War I Veteran from Pahokee, George Mead, was also honored, but he was sick and unable to attend. Mr. Mead will also be 99 this year.

Both men were given lifetime memberships to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 4185, Clewiston, presented by member Billy Rives, who said all Americans owe a great deal of gratitude to those who served and also to those who gave the ultimate sacrifice and died for their country during WWI, WWII, the Korean War and the Vietnam War.

Approximately 200 people attended the ceremony at the American Legion, with some visiting from Posts as far away as California, Nebraska, New York, Michigan, West Virginia and Maryland.

Pahokee Police arrest blotter Jan. 15 - 21

Those arrested by the Pahokee Police Department the week of Jan. 15-21 included:
Sunday, Jan. 15 - Edward Small, 55, North Carolina, issued a warrant for no driver's license; a 15-year-old from Pahokee was arrested for retail theft.

Monday, Jan. 16 - Myrna Perez, 18, Pahokee, domestic battery.

Tuesday, Jan. 17 - Roy Smith, 39, Pahokee, trespassing; Lee Watts, 19, Pahokee, battery.

Wednesday, Jan. 18 - Charles McKelton, 37, Pahokee, felony theft, resisting arrest and battery on a police officer; Eullis Wright, 82, Pahokee, leaving the scene of an accident; John Jordan, 27, Pahokee, loitering and prowling.

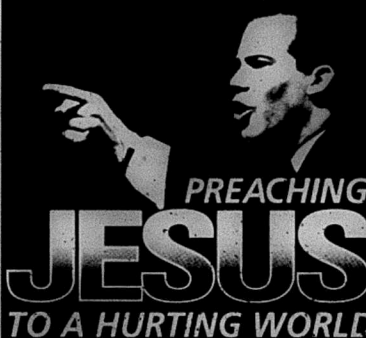
Thursday, Jan. 19 - Terrance Baptiste, Pahokee, warrant for failure to comply with a court order; a 12-year-old from Pahokee was charged with burglary to a vehicle, petit theft and criminal mischief; a 17-year-old from

Pahokee was charged with carrying a concealed firearm on school grounds.

Friday, Jan. 20 - Roy Smith, 39, Pahokee, charged with burglary and petit theft; Pauline Ebanks, 47, Pahokee, warrant for violation of probation for aggravated battery; two 13-year-old Pahokee youths were arrested for fighting.
Saturday, Jan. 21 - Alvin Biggs, 20, Pahokee, charged with domestic assault; Earl Warner, 39, Pahokee, charged with grand theft auto.

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Charrette

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organize into small groups to discuss various plans and later that evening the citizen spokespersons from each design team will present their team's findings to the overall group.

"Pahokee is full of people with ideas and information," said Emily O'Mahoney, an architect with the Society of Landscape Architects. "We're going to try to take a bunch of these ideas and come up with a plan for economic development, tourism, infrastructure, and what Pahokee should look like down the road."

Pahokee Chamber President James Brewer said he, along with a few others, have gone from city limit to city limits in Pahokee and noted what improvements they would like to see. Others from other segments of the community could add valuable input to their ideas.

After a master plan has been developed, the Pahokee Chamber hopes to have a professional map drawn up including the proposed changes. The city and chamber hopes to use this finished product to apply for grants and other funding to make the changes desired in Pahokee.

A 7 p.m. meeting is also planned for Monday, Feb. 6 at the school to present the Charrette Master Plan to the public. For more information on the Charrette, call Pahokee Cham-

ber of Commerce Executive Secretary Alice Thompson at 924-5579.

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On company time?

"I'd like to direct this question to the mayor of Belle Glade and the city commissioners: Why is it that the city furnishes employees' work at Glades Day School on a baseball field?"

If we've got too many employees in the City of Belle Glade, we need to cut the taxes and help the people who live in Belle Glade, instead of doing things like that.

I would like for someone to please answer this in the next **Speak Out**, if they would, please.

Please print this. This is especially directed to City Manager Lomax Harrelle and Mike Underwood.

City Manager Lomax Harrelle: "In response to the 'On Company Time' **Speak Out**, Glades Day School's donation of sod represents a considerable savings to the City of Belle Glade.

It was brought to the attention of Parks and Recreation Administrator Mike Underwood that Glades Day School had excess sod on the school's baseball infield. Mr. Underwood approached school administration to see if this excess might be donated to the city. The donation was made with the stipulation that the city would use its own manpower to remove the sod.

Mr. Underwood received prior approval through my office to remove the sod and use it on city property. And, it should be noted that Mr. Underwood cut the grass on his own time so that it could be removed easily by city personnel.

A portion of the sod was placed at Mace Park with the balance being used in different locations at the Belle Glade Golf Course. I am pleased with this effort to

enhance city property at no extra expense, and I feel this is an excellent example of community involvement for the betterment of all concerned."

Too many murderers at GCI

"It looks like the local politicians don't care how many murderers are kept out here at GCI. The local people should demand that some be moved out from here.

Just reading the Palm Beach paper it looks like they just move them out here so they can be close to home. Who cares if they're close to home or not?"

All the local politicians are looking for are dollar bills."

Editor's note: J. Stephen Weeks, Mayor of the City of Belle Glade, responds:

"This is a response to the **Speak Out** expressing the opinion that too many murderers are kept at Glades Correctional Institution (GCI) and local politicians do not care.

This may be a common misconception held by many, but the Belle Glade City Commission does not have any authority, jurisdiction, or input on any aspect of GCI. Every decision pertaining to that facility is determined by the Department of Corrections.

I personally share concerns about the census of the institution, its overcrowding, lack of staffing to provide proper security, and the utilization of the prison for a purpose for which it was not designed.

I urge all readers who feel strongly to write to the Department of Corrections, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2500 and express their concerns."

Editors note: The **POLICE NEWS** in this newspaper lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.

Crimestoppers



Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County, Inc. is asking for your help in locating Alvin Lawrence Trice, who also goes by the name Alvin Ford. He is wanted for aggravated battery on a pregnant woman.

He is 35 years old, 5'6", weighing 120 pounds. He has brown hair and brown eyes and a scar on his left eye. His last known address was 175 S.W. 10th Avenue, South Bay.

His Social Security number is

266-55-9653. His last known occupation was as a disc jockey.

His warrant was active as of Jan. 17, 1995. If you know the whereabouts of Trice, or anyone involved in a serious crime, call Crime Stoppers, 1-800-458-8477.

You do not have to give your name. Remain anonymous and receive a cash reward if your tip leads to an arrest or recovery of stolen property.



Palm Beach Blood Bank: A model for others

If you ask John Flynn why he is proud to be president and CEO of the Palm Beach Blood Bank, he is quick and eager to tell you why.

"We have some of the most loyal and conscientious blood donors, and some of the most dedicated professional and volunteer workers of any blood center in the country," says Mr. Flynn. "We have known that for a long time but there was no way to prove it. Any doubts we may have had, however, were erased last winter."

Mr. Flynn was referring to January 1994 when the combined effect of a record breaking cold spell across much of the United States and a major earthquake in southern California created an acute shortage in the nation's blood supply.

But there was no blood shortage in the five-county region -- composed of Palm Beach, Martin, Glades, Hendry, and Okeechobee counties -- that is served by the Palm Beach Blood Bank.

In fact, the Palm Beach Blood Bank was being asked to send blood to other centers to help alleviate the shortage.

"Some 4 million Americans, including many in our service region, will require a blood transfusion this year," said Mr. Flynn. "And as the population population increases, so does the number of persons requiring blood. It's a matter of supply and demand, except that in our business it can also be a matter of life or death. That's why we're so very proud of our

blood donors, our Blood Bank staff, and the many volunteers who, together, help maintain a safe and adequate blood supply for our service region."

But a stable blood donor base does not just happen. There are many factors that must come together. According to a recent Harris poll, many Americans are not motivated to donate blood. "A blood bank must continuously work to overcome this apathy by creating programs that motivate people to donate," says Mr. Flynn.

The most recent program initiated by the Blood Bank is called Health Partners, which encourages people to donate by enabling repeat blood donors to have the same kind of blood tests performed on their blood by their doctor would ordinarily have done as part of a routine physical examination. Mr. Flynn said these expanded tests are provided no expense to the donor through a series of blood donations. The donor can provide the test results to his doctor, thus reducing the overall health care costs.

According to Mr. Flynn, the Palm Beach Blood Bank was one of the first blood centers in the county to start cholesterol testing for all blood donors as a way to say "thank you" and to encourage their personal health. The Palm Beach Blood Bank also introduced single donor platelets, a process by which platelets for a patient can be gotten from a single donor.

"We were the first regional

blood center in the United States to also introduce single donor platelets as a standard of care, meaning that this is the only blood component available for platelet support to our people. To this day, we are the only ones that I know of who have been able to maintain that. We have maintained it since 1991," said Mr. Flynn.

"We also have another extensive program in the area of plasma pheresis," Mr. Flynn said. "In which we are producing single donor plasmas. We are developing that capability with the idea of making it a standard of care within a year or two. We are the only blood center, as far as I know, that is doing that."

Mr. Flynn said each of these procedures or programs is designed to achieve total quality management.

Giving blood saves lives, but processing the blood for use costs money. Because the Palm Beach Blood Bank has committed donors, it has a stable blood supply which, in turn, helps to reduce that cost of collecting and processing blood for area hospitals.

"Our mission," said Mr. Flynn, "is to provide the highest quality blood at the lowest economic price possible. And we have consistently done that. Today, we have the lowest processing fee in the state of Florida and one of the lowest in the United States. Our charge to the hospitals has increased only five percent in the last 10 years."

Ask Dr. Boltson

Dr. David Boltson is the associate director of the Western Palm Beach County Mental Health Clinic in Belle Glade, and is a licensed psychologist in private practice in Lake Worth.



Shooting for the stars

Last week the Glades celebrated Martin Luther King Day. In reflecting on his life's work, I asked myself what qualities he possessed that have made him such an enduring and endearing national figure.

Certainly, he was kind, compassionate, intelligent, committed, spiritual, principled, articulate and imbued with many other attributes as well. His most fundamental, and his powerful characteristic however, I believe, was in his ability to hope for and envision a more positive future.

Moreover, he was able to instill that hope in others. As Ms. Debra Moore of Belle Glade pointed out to me, the fact that his birthday is remembered and celebrated as a national holiday, shows that his dream and vision is carry-

ing forward. Others are able to maintain the enthusiasm and positive expectations that Dr. King maintained throughout the trials and tribulations he endured in his life.

Hate and prejudice can justify themselves to mean-spirited folks, as fear can easily beget fear. If you worry that your neighbor is looking at you negatively, he or she will sense your trepidation, and will feel and act strangely towards you. Your fear of distance will create a reality that "different" people can never come together. Each of you will blame the other as you will each (accurately) sense a negative attitude in the other.

What could be a more fundamental and essential human quality, than the desire to create a better world for oneself and others? How does one conquer hate and fear? The simple trick that many forget, is that positive feelings can easily beget positive feelings. Glades folks have been able to unite together in ways that larger

and more ostensibly "sophisticated" communities have been unable to. I do not naively declare that the work here is done. I know that there are still substantial rifts in race/people relations.

I do declare however, that there is a large nugget of good will present here, that will provide the basis for an ever-expanding dialogue towards harmony. To live a good life, you don't have to abide in a perfect community.

To affirm and build a better life, you do have to be able to envision a positive future. You also have to be willing to work towards that vision.

You have to be able to talk with others outside of your immediate circle of comfort and safety. You have to be respectful of differences in others, while at the same time being able to suggest tangible alternatives to separatism and dissolution.

Dr. King was able to put forth and rise to these challenges. We can do it too!

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GDS Safety Patrol offering spaghetti dinners

Glades Day School's Safety Patrol will be selling spaghetti dinners on Friday, Jan. 27, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Dinner includes salad,

spaghetti and meat sauce, bread, dessert and tea for \$5. Tickets are available in the elementary school office or from any safety patrol student. All proceeds will be used to help the safety patrol go to Washington, D.C.

Lend a hand to Hospice

The Golden Glades of Hospice of Palm Beach County, Inc. is planning a "Glamour Photo" luncheon to raise funds to support Hospice patient care programs in the Glades.

The "Girls Day Out" will be Saturday, Feb. 4, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Belle Glade Elks Lodge.

Tickets for lunch and a glam-

our make-over and photo appointment are \$30. This includes four 4 x 5 photographs and one 8 x 10 photograph.

Tickets are \$20 for those who wish to attend the lunch and observe the make-over. Lunch will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

General Chairman, Jo Hatton, with committee members Dolly Hand, Raylena Hyslop, Shirlee Ingram, Lynda Moss, Nataleah Nachman, Mary Oranigo and Elaine Unwin, encourages everyone to join in the fun and "Lend a Hand to Hospice."

For more information, or to purchase tickets, call Jo Hatton, 924-5885, or Shirlee Ingram, 924-3365.

New businesses

will put people back to work in the packinghouse, the fields, and all the farm-related jobs in between."

Mr. Branch said he expects the packinghouse to generate between \$7 and \$10 million from the spring corn crop alone. In addition to the direct jobs the plant will generate, the new business will mean additional revenue for the City of South Bay through taxes and utility fees.

George Cooper of Glade and Grove Supply, Inc., a farm equipment dealer located in Belle Glade, has purchased the former central warehouse of South Bay Growers and will open a sugar cane mechanical harvester assembly.

Cooper said the plant will open in early February, employing at the outset 15 people. "We have developed a partnership with Austoft, an Australian farm equipment manufacturer, to assemble and sell the Austoft harvesters," Mr. Cooper said. These harvesters currently are being assembled in Australia from primarily U.S.-made components.

Already approximately 155 of the green and yellow harvesters are used in Glades area sugar cane harvesting. U.S. Sugar is among the farming operations currently purchasing the harvesters. To facilitate the sale, U.S. Sugar has agreed to accept harvesters in exchange for the building.

Mr. Cooper said he hopes to eventually expand and manufacture the whole machine in South Bay. "The purchase of this facility demonstrates our long-term interest in the agricultural industry in the Glades. We're going to be here for a long time," Mr. Cooper said.

The announcement of these two job-producing enterprises comes as a result of U.S. Sugar's continuing efforts to help replace and expand the jobs lost in the South Bay area when South Bay Growers closed, says Mr. Fairbanks.

Following the closing, U.S. Sugar made a dedicated effort to find jobs for its former employees, he said. The company hired more than 200 people at U.S. Sugar and its subsidiaries. They also helped place another 140 people with other local companies, and an

additional 200 former South Bay employees chose to return to school, retrain for other jobs, retire or relocate to other areas.

"We made a promise back in July that we should not walk away from our employees or from the City of South Bay," Mr. Fairbanks said. "We believe these new businesses will give a positive boost to the economic future of this area."

Mr. Fairbanks said that since July he has worked to develop a partnership between government and business. "In the past six months, the joint efforts of the Department of Labor, the Private Industry Council, state and local officials, and U.S. Sugar have resulted in a new sphere of economic activity and opportunity for the City of South Bay and its citizens," he said.

According to Mr. Fairbanks, this partnership came about as public and private sectors pooled their resources to achieve a common goal - helping those employees affected by the closing of South Bay Growers and revitalizing the town that was heavily dependent upon it.

Mr. Fairbanks said U.S. Sugar will continue to work on further job-producing ventures for the area. "We expect additional

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announcements in the near future to further secure the economic well-being of the South Bay area," Mr. Fairbanks said.

South Bay Mayor Clarence Anthony said his new initiatives affirm his belief that his city not only will survive, but will thrive as a result of the combined corporate and government efforts on its behalf.

"The partnership forged between U.S. Sugar, the State of Florida, and the city of South Bay has succeeded beyond our expectations," Mayor Anthony said. "The re-opening of the packinghouse will bring back a welcome hum of activity."

State Agriculture Commissioner Bob Crawford applauded the efforts to revitalize South Bay's economy. "South Bay is important to Florida's agricultural base, and a return of stable employment there will have tremendous benefit to the rest of the state."

Larry Pelton, president of the Palm Beach County Business Development Board, said the announcement "is an example of a great economic partnership - community, business, and government working together and getting people back to work."



Cub Scouts from Pack 622 visited *The Sun* newspaper office and learned about the day-to-day operations of a weekly newspaper. Shown in the front row, from left, are Adrian Rodriguez and Samuel Cesaire. Second row, from left, are Kenneth Lee, Pete Lee, James Dorcas, Orlando Espinoza and Marcus West. In back are Mickey Meroney and Barbara Meroney. Mrs. Meroney is the Cub Scout leader. Shown on the far right is Lee Lewis, graphics person for *The Sun*. Not shown are scout members Dacian Benjamin and Ricardo Gonzalez.

Wingate Team wins ARC Golf Tournament

After a one-week rain delay, Saturday's weather finally cooperated for a beautiful golfing day at the Belle Glade Municipal Golf Course.

Eighty-four golfers made up 20 teams for a 9 a.m. scramble start. Among the prizes, golfers shot for a 1995 Mercury Cougar, compliments of Glades Ford, a 25 in. color television, a Disney and Ocean Cruise Holiday, and a new set of golf irons.

For the third consecutive year the ARC offered a closest to the pin contest with the winner, Peter Puccio of Stuart, coming back after the tournament for a one shot chance at a hole-in-one \$1 million. Mr. Puccio enjoyed the attempt, but left with only his souvenir "coulda been" golf ball.

The tournament ended with the team of Earl Wingate, Wendy Miller, Al Sullivan, and Jim Mock the winners by three strokes at 52. There was a tie for second and fourth place, resolved by a scorecard playoff pulled by Tournament Chair Tommy Cone.

Scot Kannel, executive director for the ARC, described community support as the best ever for this annual event. Dr.

Don Fliehs, board president for the ARC, expressed his appreciation to the sponsors and golfers and to Mr. Cone and the committee.

The entire ARC Board expressed sincere thanks and appreciation to Mike Underwood's staff at the golf course for providing a first-class course and excellent service to the golfers and ARC.

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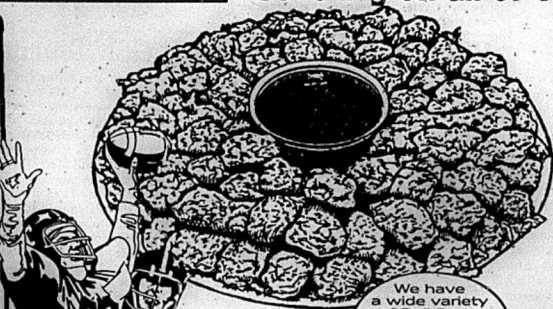
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James Love and Heather Teeters

Stormi Littrell and Timothy Stein to exchange vows

Gary Littrell, of Fern Park, and Becky Littrell, of Sanford, announce the engagement of their daughter, Stormi Anne Littrell, to Timothy Mark Stein, of Belle Glade.

The prospective groom is the son of Fritz and Lois Stein of Belle Glade.

The bride-elect is a 1989 graduate of Lake Howell High School, Casselberry. She graduated from Florida State University in 1992 with a Bachelor's degree in Business Communications. She is currently employed by Max Davis Associates.

The prospective groom is a 1988 graduate of Glades Day School. He attended Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College. He is currently employed by Wedgeworth's Inc.

The couple plan a March 11, 1995 wedding to be held at First Baptist Church beginning at 6 p.m.



Jeffrey Stevens and Sarah Powell

Sarah Beth Powell to wed Jeffrey Scott Stevens

Dr. and Mrs. Bruce A. Powell of Canton, Conn., announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Beth, to Jeffrey Scott Stevens.

The prospective groom is the son of Sue Van Landingham of Alexandria, Va., and the grandson of Mrs. Ernest M. Van Landingham of Belle Glade.

The bride-elect received her Bachelor of Science degree from Lafayette College in Mechanical Engineering. She is currently enrolled in a graduate business program at the University of Connecticut. She is presently employed by Schick Razor Co. in Milford, Conn.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Thomas Jefferson High School, Annandale, Va. He received a Bachelor of Science degree from Old Dominion University in Mechanical Engineering. He is employed by Bauer Aerospace

in Avon, Conn.
The couple plan a wedding to be held in the spring.

Heather Teeters and James Love plan wedding

John Teeters and Mariellen Teeters, both of DeLand, announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Lynn Teeters, to James Thomas Love.

The prospective groom is the son of the late James M. Love and Martha Jane Love of Belle Glade.

The bride-elect is a 1987 graduate of Lake Gertie Christian Academy of DeLand. She has been

employed with the Palm Beach County Chapter of the American Red Cross for three years. She is currently the director of the west county service center.

The prospective groom is employed as a sergeant with the City of Belle Glade Police Department.

The couple plan a 2:30 p.m. wedding on March 11, 1995, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hand.

Tina Mayo to wed Patrick Jackson

Sylvia and Neal Mayo announce the engagement of their daughter, Tina Doris Mayo, to Patrick Lloyd Jackson.

The prospective groom is the son of Tommy and Patricia Jackson.

The couple plan a Saturday, Feb. 4, 1995 wed-

ding at Shady Grove Pentecostal Holiness Church, Grand Ridge. The ceremony will begin at 6 p.m. A reception will follow the exchange of wedding vows in the fellowship hall.

All relatives and friends of the couple are invited to attend.



Timothy M. Stein and Stormi Anne Littrell

Connie Barnes and Tim Cook plan wedding

Mr. and Mrs. William Brown announce the engagement of their daughter, Connie Barnes, to Tim Cook.

The prospective groom is the son of Ralph and Kathy Cook of Wellington.

The couple plan a Feb. 18,

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Patrick Jackson and Tina Mayo

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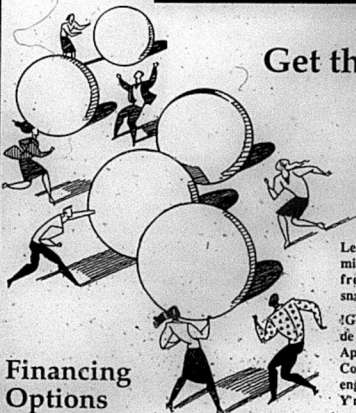
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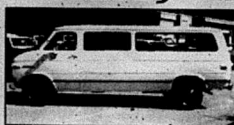
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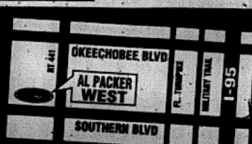
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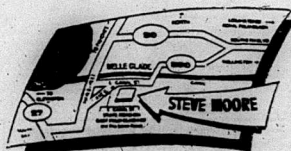


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MUCKSTEPPERS REUNION 1995



Rosenwald Elementary Principal Eariyne Harrell said she came to the reunion this year to relax and enjoy herself.



Zora Neale Hurston Roof Garden Museum Secretary Jessie Moore (right) patrolled the area and mingled with the attendees of the Mucksteppers Reunion, but she and her friend also took time out to pose for the camera.



Leslie "Yellowbird" Glover (right) showed off her talent of singing to a during the reunion. However, before and after her performance she and a member of the stage crew mingled with the crowd.

SUNPHOTOS by Tammy Jackson



Following a train ride through Pioneer Park, visiting with existing friends and meeting new friends, the children decided they would take a brief time out to joy some of the food that was available at the Mucksteppers Reunion. There was an abundance of fried fish, candy apples, fried chicken wings, pickled sausages and eggs, Jamaican dishes and many other examples of mouth-watering foods.



A group of Haitian spectators seemed to be enjoying the festivities of the day as they knelt down and listened to the sounds of the Mucksteppers Reunion.

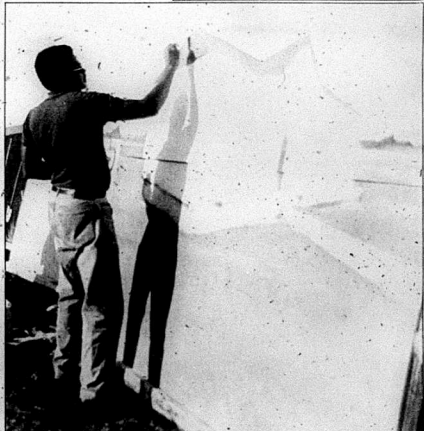


The Mucksteppers Reunion is a storytelling Conference and Festival, which has been presented annually in January since 1992. In 1993, it was placed on the Florida Department of State's Black Heritage Trail, a distinction recognizing significant cultural events with tourism impact in the State of Florida.

- Activities include the successful:
 - Heavyweights Workshop - offering cultural diversity to human services professional and educators, and self-esteem building workshops for children;
 - Oral History Panels - featuring the Glades' elders discussing, in public forums, pioneer activities;
 - Cultural Street Festival - which presents native story-tellers, crafts musicians and cuisine from points-of-origin for Glades' African-descendant residents: Haiti, Jamaica, the Bahamas, East and West Africa, the Georgia and South Carolina Sea Island;
 - Artist's Mural Project - created by local professional artists on the festival site, during the festival.
- In 1994, there were 4,500 festival goers.



African attire was sported by both men and women during the reunion. There were even clothing booths on site which featured that type of attire.



A local artist paints a mural at the reunion of the phases of the new Zora Neale Hurston Roof Garden Museum. The museum's new location will be at Pioneer Park on State Road 715 in Belle Glade.

(at left) Crowds of adults and children gathered at the storytelling talent where real storytellers told of the conditions that either existed or still exist in African communities. The storytellers aimed to demonstrate the way people lived and how people today have become what we are.

(at right) An African dancer performed on stage but following her performance, she mixed with the crowd and enjoyed the festival.





Jimi Hendrix 1942-1970

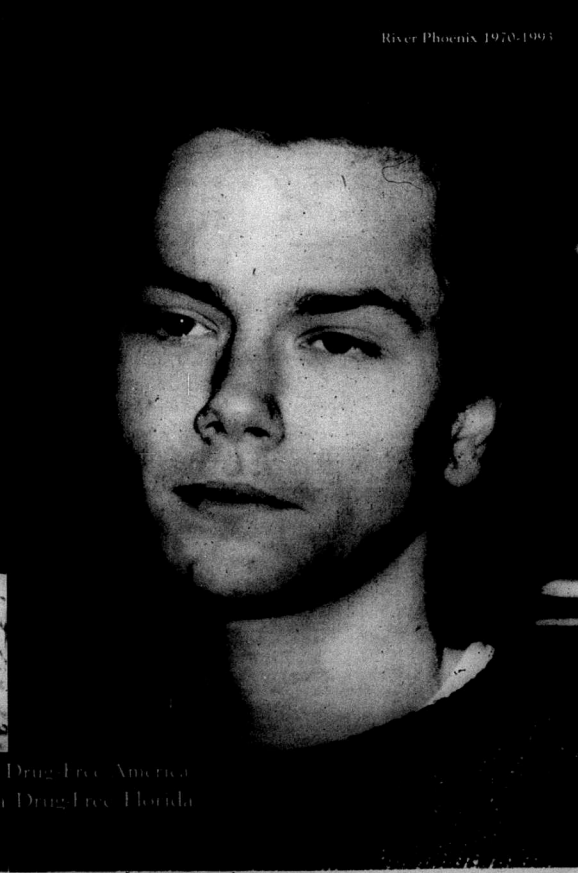


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Area students meet Gen. Colin Powell

Tammy Jackson
Staff Reporter

The Glades Boys & Girls Club enabled 14 students from our area to meet Retired General Colin Powell Jan. 19 at the Kravis Center. Students were able to ask the general questions and get to know the very distinguished man who at one time was the leader of the United States' armed forces. According to one of the local students who attended, "he is a very down-to-earth man."

The students were selected to meet the general after they wrote an essay on him, his life and his accomplishments. Students with the most unique, most informative and most interesting essays were selected to travel to West Palm Beach. Many students said they spent numerous hours on the essay because it took some time to find information on the general. According to Robin Collier, a 10th grader at Pahokee High School, "The assignment took me about three hours to complete because it took me a while to get the necessary research on him because he is relatively new in the history books."

Meeting the general and learning that he is an "ordinary guy," Robert Newkirk, senior at Glades Central Community High School, said, "I was overwhelmed to see that the general was

calm." He also said he is thankful that the Boys and Girls Club offered that type of activity for students to participate in.

The students said Gen. Powell spoke on the fact that he is what he is today due to his teachers, parents and his priest. The general said these people taught him the most important things in life.

Being of Jamaican descent, according to Bill Carter, Boys & Girls Club outreach coordinator, "Gen. Powell said he did not want to be idolized." Mr. Carter said his mission for the day was to provide the students with a lesson in self-esteem.

Mr. Carter said a total of 78 students entered the essay contest.

The winners from the Glades-area schools are:

Glades Central - Tia McCants, Robert Newkirk, Jr. and Gaia Dixon;

Glades Day - Tanya Gummere, Hana'a Baroush and Brad Davis;

Pahokee High School - Robin Collier, Jacob Savage and Tamara Stokes;

Pahokee Middle School - Alishia Jennings;

School of CHOICE - Keisha Hopten, Mitzi Drummer and Gierle Robinson; and,
Lake Shore Middle School - Cheryl Davis.



The Palm Beach County Boys & Girls Club sponsored 14 students from the Glades to meet with Retired General Colin Powell. The students were selected from essays which they submitted on the general.

Crusade coming to First Baptist Church

The 48 hours Harvest Crusade with Rodney Gage will be coming to the First Baptist Church in Belle Glade Feb. 4-6.

"Because of the demands our society has placed upon the family, time has become a very precious commodity for couples and their children," says Rodney Gage. "This is the reason we have developed the 48 Hour Harvest Crusade. This Saturday, Sunday, and Monday evangelistic emphasis has proven to be a great success in reaching today's generation with the Gospel."

Mr. Gage, along with his wife, Michelle, will be ministering nightly at the church at 7 p.m. There will also be a special service at 10:45 a.m. on Sunday morning.

The crusade will begin Saturday, Feb. 4, with a church-wide cookout. Families throughout the community are invited to take part in this gathering on the church grounds. Immediately following, a mini-concert is performed by Michelle Gage and the crusade choir. Later in the service, Mr. Gage will speak.

On Sunday morning, the theme will be "Go Tell." Mr. Gage will conduct a combined Sunday School rally before the service with

junior and senior high students, challenging them in the area of personal soul-winning.

Sunday evening at 7 p.m., Mr. Gage will speak on the timely subject "How to Keep Your Kids From Using Alcohol and Drugs," a subject he says every parent should hear.

On Monday morning, Mr. Gage will be going to local schools to provide his thoughts on the number one teenage killer - alcohol.

Monday night, Feb. 6, takes on the theme of "Each one - Reach one." Each person is challenged to bring a friend to the service. Mr. Gage's message will deal with one of the social issues of the 90's.

During many of the services, Michelle Gage will sing. She is the featured soloist for the ministry and has the privilege of singing at the Southern Baptist Conference and Pastors' Conference programs.

She has also appeared in numerous evangelism conferences and women's conferences throughout the nation.

Her recent cassette release, "Move Me With Compassion" is a top selling production.

"We have found the participation, support, and attendance in the 48 Hour Harvest Crusades to be far more successful in the 90's than the traditional week-long crusades," says Mr. Gage. "With the special emphasis on the family, our public school assemblies, and addressing critical issues, we are seeing unprecedented results in churches throughout the country."

Mr. Gage, 29, a Texas-based evangelist, leads crusades throughout North America and has expanded his world wide ministry to include evangelistic crusades in Brazil, Eastern Europe, and Russia. His recent book, *Let's Talk About AIDS and Sex* was a



Michelle Gage

finalist in the 1993 Gold medalion Award category presented by the Evangelical Christian Publishers Association.

First Baptist Church Pastor Craig Hartzog invites everyone in the community to participate in this three-day event.

Commission

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- Award of Bids for the following: surplus material; heatless desiccant dryer, and chain-link fencing to be placed between S.W. Eighthth and S.W. 10th Streets.

- Proposed new deferred compensation plan with VALIC.

- Application for reimbursement of mercury emergency expenses.

- Request for bids for a 160 KW generator and a data logging recording system. These items are covered by a 100 percent grant.

- A donation to the Men's Golf Association from A. Duda & Sons.

The next regularly scheduled city commission meeting is Feb. 13.



Palm Beach Community College announced the Teachers of Excellence for 1995. Chosen by their respective campuses, the recipients are: Sandra Richmond, Central Campus, professor of social science; Patrick McMahon, Glades Campus, senior instructor of business; Barry Russell, Bissay Campus, professor of communications; and, Costantino Colombo, South Campus, professor of science.

The four representatives will be honored at the upcoming International Conference on Teaching Excellence scheduled for May 21-24 in Austin, Texas.

Upcoming teacher interning at Rosenwald

Jennifer McDuffie is interning at Rosenwald under the supervision of Josie Boone, a first grade teacher. Ms. McDuffie is an elementary education/early childhood majoring student from Clewiston, attending Florida Atlantic University. Her goals are to "become an educator at Rosenwald Elementary." The 10th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Oratorical Contest was held Jan. 10 in the school's

cafeteria. Attorney Mamie Washington was the commentator for the evening. The judges for the event were Commissioners Mirlande Smith and Michael Jackson, and City Manager Lester Baird and Attorney Washington.

The prizes were given in three categories: first-third grade, fourth-sixth grade, and final, ninth-12th grade.

Winners:
first-third grade

first - Earl D. Ebanks, \$50 (Pahokee Elem.); second place - Justin James, \$35 (Pahokee Elem.); third place - Shahem J. Blackmall, \$25 (Pahokee Elem.)

fourth-sixth grade
first - Brandon West, \$50 (Pahokee Elem.); second - Anton G. Allen, \$35 (Lake Shore Middle School); third - Robert D. Lee, \$25 (Pahokee); third Leon Quinn, \$25 (Pahokee)

ninth-12th
first - Shanika Brown, \$50 (Glades Central); second - Robert Fudge, \$35 (Glades Central); third - TrishAnn Davis, \$25 (Glades Central)



Rodney Gage

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